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Statement by Representative Denise Grimsley on Governor Scott's Signing of the 2012-2013 State Budget

Tallahassee, Fla. – State Representative Denise Grimsley (R-Sebring), Chairman of the Florida Appropriations Committee, today released the following statement regarding Governor Scott's signing of the 2012-2013 State Budget.

"I thank Governor Scott for signing a fiscally conservative budget that holds the line on taxes, reins in spending and funds important priorities such as public safety, economic development and public education.

"Working with the Senate, we were able to address Florida's more than \$1 billion budget shortfall without shortchanging Floridians. I appreciate Governor Scott's dedication to increasing our commitment to education by more than \$1 billion. A well-educated workforce is an essential component to developing a robust, world-class economy.

"This budget funds Florida's most important priorities while also recognizing the need to allow businesses to do what they do best when government gets out of the way: create jobs and opportunities for Floridians to find work."